Senate Bill No. 1684

CHAPTER 144

An act to amend Section 6141 of the Penal Code, relating to criminal offenders.

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LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 1684, Machado. California Rehabilitation Oversight Board: reports. Existing law establishes the California Rehabilitation Oversight Board in the Office of the Inspector General to regularly examine and report to the Legislature and Governor on the various mental health, substance abuse, educational, and employment programs for inmates and parolees operated by the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation. Existing law requires the board to report to the Governor and the Legislature biannually, on January 15 and July 15.

This bill would instead require the board to report to the Governor and the Legislature biannually, on March 15 and September 15.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 6141 of the Penal Code is amended to read:

6141. The California Rehabilitation Oversight Board shall meet at least quarterly, and shall regularly examine the various mental health, substance abuse, educational, and employment programs for inmates and parolees operated by the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation. The board shall report to the Governor and the Legislature biannually, on March 15 and September 15, and may submit other reports during the year if it finds they are necessary. The reports shall include, but are not limited to, findings on the effectiveness of treatment efforts, rehabilitation needs of offenders, gaps in rehabilitation services in the department, and levels of offender participation and success in the programs. The board shall also make recommendations to the Governor and Legislature with respect to modifications, additions, and eliminations of rehabilitation and treatment programs. In performing its duties, the board shall use the work products developed for the department as a result of the provisions of the 2006 Budget Act, including Provision 18 of Item 5225-001-0001.